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ECONOMY IN PUBLIC CONTRACTS.

There is nothing in the relations existing between the government of a country and the people that exempts the former from the duty of carefully and economically expending the funds entrusted to them. The government, to make use of a truism, are nothing more than the servants of the public—nothing more than public agents in this respect. Like other agents they are bound to manage their principals' affairs as those principals would have done. The mere fact of those principals being the public, and of the money to be used being derived from the whole population, affords no excuse for the executive being less careful and less strict in negotiating contracts for public works than they would be in managing their own private affairs. They are bound to have the work require done in a proper manner and at the most reasonable price. In order to do this the government cannot be too strict in their mode of letting out contracts. They cannot take too many precautions to prevent contractors taking an undue advantage of them. Merely throwing open public works to public competition is not enough. That may effect a saving to a certain extent, and so far is the proper principle to work upon. But we will know how many ways there are of running up an additional bill in the shape of extras, etc. Governments too seem, as a general thing, to be made to pay more than private individuals. It is not thought by many, for instance as gross a breach of the moral code to defraud the revenue department, or to charge the government for services never rendered as it would be were a private individual the subject of such conduct. But if a code of loose principles may induce men to look upon the government as lawless plunder, no encouragement should be given to anything leading to a waste of public moneys by any laxity on the part of the Executive. This being the case, we cannot but think the system adopted in letting out the contract for the construction of bridges on the Victoria and Comox road is open to exception.

We are not aware that any fault can be found with the rate at which the work is to be done. All the bridging and crossings is to be done at so much per foot; but the number of feet of work actually necessary has not been specified. The contractor goes on building bridges and crossings where he considers they are required, and the Government foots the bill of the total number of feet of work done. A large portion of the contract has already been fulfilled. We are informed the contractor has considered it necessary in many places to do more timbering (than what a disinterested judge would consider at all requisite). We would naturally expect this to be the case under the circumstances. We look upon it as the inevitable result of the Government not having let the contract according to proper specifications: Nothing would have been easier than to have sent an engineer over the ground to stake out the timbering required. The contractor would then be subject to no conflict between interest and principle. He would have his specifications to go by, and if he chose to do any more work than they called for, it would be at his own expense. This may seem a little unfair, but it involves a principle, and as such, requires to be looked after. If we employ a man to build us a house, we do not leave it to him to say what amount of work he shall do upon it; we fix the amount of work and agree upon the price. The Government have neither fixed the amount of work in the case in question, nor have they agreed for the total price. In both respects they have neglected the precautions of business men. Under such circumstances we do not think the \$21,825 voted for the Victoria Comox road and bridges will be expended to the best advantage; for we do not consider that sending a man to pass the work when made will make up for neglect of proper precautions at the outset.

THE DEBATE ON POLAND.

By late English papers we have full details of the debate in the House of Commons, on the Polish question. The discussion was brought about by Mr. Hennessy, the member for Kings County. This gentleman, in a most able and eloquent speech, reviewed the whole question from the treaty of Vienna, in 1815, to the present time. The obligations of Russia, under this treaty, to deal liberally with the Poles, the subsequent recognition of that obligation by the Emperor of Russia, in an address to the Poles, in which he specified their rights and privileges, the still subsequent violation of these rights, in spite of the protestation of England and France, were forcibly shown. He in conclusion, moved an address to the Crown, setting forth the treaty obligations incurred by Russia, with England and other powers, in respect to Poland, her violation of them in the accumulated outrages that have culminated in the present insurrection, and submitting that the facts demand the intervention of England, in vindication of her own public faith and solemn engagement. This resolution was looked upon by some of the members as going further than mere diplomatic intervention—as likely to lead to war—which step was not thought prudent to take in present circumstances. Lord Palmerston considered that under the treaty of Vienna they had a right to interfere, but were under no obligations to do so. He thought it was best to leave the question to the advisers of Her Majesty, and suggested the withdrawal of the motion, as sufficient had been gained by his mover in the unanimous expressions of sympathy for the oppressed Poles which he drew forth. Mr. Hennessy accordingly withdrew the motion. The debate, as Mr. Disraeli remarks, however, must have one good effect, as it will show the Government that in the House of Commons there are not two opinions respecting the state of affairs in Poland.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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HAVING SOLD MY SHARE IN THE business carried on in Yates street, Victoria, as General Dealers, under the name of CHROSEN & CO., I am no longer interested in the same, and I beg to recommend my successor, Mr. Merritt, to the patronage of the establishment. THOMAS FULTON. Victoria, V.I., April, 1863. ap29 1w

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sim now. I am content to earn my living inde-
pendent of Crown patronage, but the honor and
credit of the country are at stake, and I am sure
which any man might be proud of, and I assure
that. I hold the equal rights of all men to be
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know no distinction of color, color, or country.
Every colonist who has settled in this Colony
has a right to be heard, and I am sure that
with his neighbor, and for such principles I will
always contend.

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